

At Hull's.
Nothing has so stirred up the town of late as did Hull's dollar sale last week. They have more of the same kind still. Those double width Cashmeres, 8 yards for \$1, and those flannels, 8 and 10 yards for \$1, can't be beat.

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A Half Century Celebration.

A distinctive feature of Congregationalism is the entire independence and self government of each church. Like the family, or homestead, they own each church as its own property; make their own creeds; make their own laws and regulations, and tolerate no "boss" anywhere. Yet they associate with one another, as do families, for counsel, comfort, usefulness and the salvation of men from all that is bad, and their recovery to all that is good. In 1833 these church organizations were beginning to be formed in Illinois. In 1835 a few along Fox River associated themselves. The fiftieth anniversary of this organization was commemorated by a meeting in this city, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Association which began with four churches and sixty members, grew till now there are four Associations with more than twelve thousand members. Their home expenses last year, in cash, were \$149,526.98. Their charitable gifts outside, were \$102,362.27. The two together were \$251,889.25, or more than twenty dollars to each member or communicant.

In the programme for the meeting here, topics of interest had been assigned to various persons, to Judge Coffin, of Batavia, Hon. B. C. Cook, Capt. Wm. H. Collins, of Quincy, Dr. Lane, of St. Charles, Mr. Thos. Orton, and others, who were confidently expected, yet failed to come. The foul weather of Tuesday was depressing and a serious disadvantage. Still the meeting was held and a good time had. Mr. Whittlesey, the oldest clerical member, read a paper entitled "The Ministers of the Association," of whom there had been some 200, giving characteristic traits; their work in aid of progress in education, morals, and in material prosperity, social order, and in National defense. In his estimate he spoke of them as good men; of those who laid the foundations, as having the best educational advantages the country afforded; often leaders in scholarship in their classes in our best colleges and seminaries; as having given themselves in youthful vigor and ardor to the missionary's lot in a new country, to a humble work in deprivation, in poverty, void of preferment in the church and of National fame.

Other timely themes were treated, as the relation of the family life and spirit, to the good order and evangelization of society; how best to hold ground in the future; with what appliances and machinery to do the most good; changes in ministerial manners, methods, and doctrines in the half century. The whole was interspersed with interesting reminiscences, anecdotes, and social festivities. Among the latter was a tea in the basement of the church for the intermingling of the guests and the families of citizens. Among those from out of town to whom the Association is indebted for interest in this Anniversary were members from Marquette, Sireator, La Salle and Granville; especially the pastor of the Granville church, William Tracy, by sermon Tuesday evening and address on Wednesday evening.

F. H. Bestman—Furniture.
For many years past one of the leading furniture houses in this city has been that of F. H. Bestman, on Main street. The store, first and second floors, is literally packed with an elegant stock of goods, such as bed-room sets, parlor sets, &c. There are also some of the finest lines of secretaries to be had in the city for sale at this store. Mr. Bestman has been for about 25 years in the furniture trade in Ottawa, and is a thorough practical cabinet maker himself. To the people of this city and the surrounding country there is no better place to purchase furniture than of F. H. Bestman. His prices are only what his goods are worth and his stock embraces a very large assortment. He can convince you that every word of this is the absolute truth.

When about to lay up your stock of coal for the winter, do not forget that John T. Burke, at his office near the Rock Island depot, sells the famous Lacey coal. He has a new coal yard there this season and will sell you extra good coal at bargain prices.

Mr. H. J. Gillen this week sold to Lieut. Malcolm McNeill, of Gen. Fitzsimons' staff, three high bred horses of his own raising, which have been shipped to Chicago. Two of these animals were Hanoverians (Compeers)—the stallion, 6 years old, known as Stephen A. Douglas; both are magnificent, five years old, Commodore; both are magnificent brown. The third horse was the black mare Nellie, by Brown Erickson. One of these horses has made better than 250, another better than 3 minutes, while the third has trotted in about three minutes. It is probable that three finer animals were never raised in La Salle county by any man not a professional breeder of trotting stock, and certainly three more promising animals were never produced in Ottawa. What is more strange (in a "horse trade"), Lieut. McNeill was the only man ever given a price on the animals and paid the price asked without a shave of a cent. The price is not public property, but we happen to know it was one that would be considered large. The same gentleman on the same day purchased of H. Holmes the b. s. Lester Holmes, by Compeer 192, a handsome and speedy road horse, for \$450.

Unexpectedly Offered Inducements.
Which will require more or less important changes in any business, induce me to close out my present large stock of fashionable millinery goods without delay. "Selling out," I am aware, is so common a cry that it has lost most of its power to attract attention, but in the present case there is involved the absolute necessity to close out my stock before the holidays and the prices at which it is offered will be the best guaranty that the sale is made in good faith. I therefore earnestly invite the ladies of Ottawa as well as the mothers and daughters of our farmers to give me a call and profit thereby. That I deal only in first class goods is well known to all, and as with me the main object is to dispose of my stock as rapidly as possible, my aim will be to make every sale an advantage to the purchaser.

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Oysters.
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Tuesday afternoon a foot race took place between two glass blowers for \$25,—one an employe in the lamp-chimney house and the other in the window glass works. The lamp-chimney man won.

Watches and Jewelry.

When in want of a fine watch of the best manufacture, fully warranted and ranging at small prices, go to D. Hess, the Ottawa jeweler. His stock of jewelry, of all descriptions, is the best and most complete in the city, and he can undersell any jewelry house in Ottawa. Give him a call and get his figures before purchasing elsewhere, and he will fully satisfy you. It is to your interest to deal with D. Hess. He will not palm off any spurious articles on his customers.

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ROTH-HARMON.—At the residence of John Harmon, father of the bride, in Waltham, the marriage of Miss Mary Harmon and Joseph Roth, of the same township, was solemnized by a wedding party which was largely attended by invited guests. The pair was on Monday morning married at the German Catholic church, in this city.

Ed. Colwell, the confectioner and oyster man, has put an oyster wagon on the road. Parties desiring to be served with the delicious bivalve may leave orders or can procure them as the wagon passes by on its daily rounds.

Amusements.
On next Monday evening C. W. Coulstock, the famous veteran actor, will present "The Willow Copse," at the opera house supported by a powerful company, the cast embracing Luke Fielding, a farmer, by C. W. Coulstock; and other stars. The play will be given under the auspices of the A. O. U. W. of this city, the object of the entertainment being to raise funds to defray the expenses of a grand demonstration or meeting of lodges of this order in this city next summer. In Ottawa the order has paid out to widows and orphans alone over \$29,000 and this alone should speak so strongly in its favor that a large attendance should be present. Besides the play is one in every way deserving of a crowded house. It has been many years since the play has been presented in this country. It is a sterling old play and its revival by Mr. Coulstock, who may almost be said to have created Luke Fielding, is a pleasant memory to those who can remember it year ago when he starred in it successfully for many seasons. It is one of the earliest of Boucicault's standard plays and was written for Miss Celeste, who took the leading role in it as Rose Fielding, but Coulstock, who so ably supported the star in the role of Luke Fielding gave such an inspiration to character that his soon became the leading part. The story and plot is much like "Hazel Kirke" and a great deal of the character of Dunstan Kirke is undoubtedly taken from Luke Fielding. To those who desire to witness a first class play by the genius of the actor who made it famous a quarter of a century ago, this is a good opportunity. Miss Carrie Turner is a beautiful woman and an actress of great versatility and emotional powers. Do not miss seeing this great play by one of the leading actors of the present day supported by a company many of whom are stars in their parts.

On Wednesday evening of next week, Oct. 21, Mr. Goulden's celebrated "Fun in a Boiler Room" company will be at the opera house. This satire on the skating rink is one of the most laughable absurdities ever presented and is given to packed houses wherever presented. It abounds in rare touches of true comedy throughout and contains several funny songs by Jacques Kruger, the German comedian. It is said Kruger's manipulations of the humorists are as natural as a spring of pure gurgling water and just as full of rich fun as the cable messages are of foreign wars. The "Skating Rink" is supremely funny and there is scarce any relaxation of the peals and roars of laughter which resound from all parts of the house while the comedy is in progress. An exceptionally bright company of people support Mr. Kruger and the opera house will no doubt be packed to witness this great laughable performance.

The large audience which packed the opera house Monday night duly appreciated the rich musical treat offered them in the concert given by Prof. J. S. Stokes, of this city. It is entirely unnecessary at this late date to go over the programme in detail. It was unquestionably one of those occurrences which the people of this city took a just pride in, as was fully evinced by the large attendance. There were perhaps some minor particulars which might fall under the pen of criticism but when it is considered that there are great difficulties in the way of such an undertaking—that much painstaking effort in the nature of rehearsals is required of those who take part—it will be

seen that to carry into execution such a performance as that given by Prof. Stokes, and those who kindly volunteered their services on that occasion, the concert can truthfully be said to have been a marked success. It is no flattery to say a thing is good when such is the case and whatever praise is here bestowed on those who took part in the entertainment was fully earned and well deserved. The encores responded to were as follows: F. A. Kendall's baritone solo, the Three Fishers; Prof. Stokes' violin solo, Il Trovatore, and later on his solo, Air Variet; Frank Fitzgerald's solo, Un Ballo; Miss Josie Rhodes' soprano solo, Good Bye; the Medley Overture by the Orchestra and Miss Olive Harrison's contralto solo, Bedouin Love Song. The latter was called before the curtain four times and was applauded to the echo. In fact all the performers came in for their share of the honors and acquitted themselves with distinction and Ottawa is proud of every one of them—proud to feel that the musical talent of this city is capable of giving such fine concerts. Prof. Stokes is to be congratulated on the success of this first class musical entertainment.

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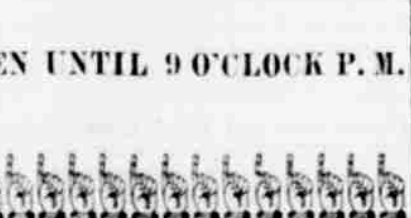
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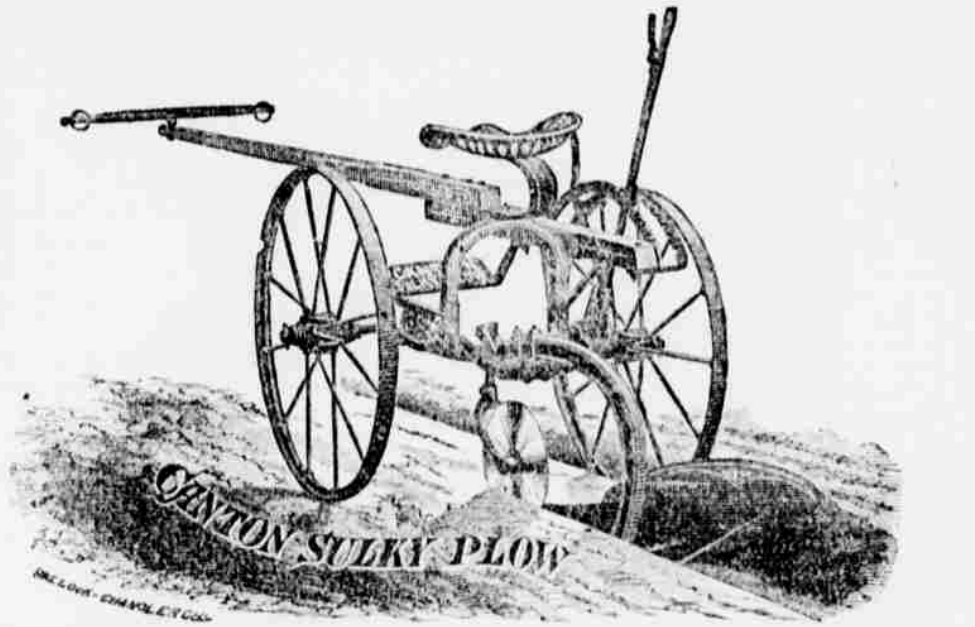
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